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Dear MLPA North Coast Stakeholders Committee,

We purchased our home located on the east side of Hwy 1 in Anchor Bay three years ago. We were thrilled to own it, not only for it's humble abode which is a labor of love, but its proximity to Haven's Neck, and were privileged to have access to it. We could walk across the street and enjoy the serenity, peace, and spectacular abundance of wildlife and vegetation unlike any other place we have seen. Haven's Neck is magic. It was always our plan to retire in Anchor Bay, and enjoy our home and Haven's Neck.

In April of 2007 the Haven's Neck property came up for sale and we, along with 19 other families purchased the property and formed the Haven's Neck Preserve. It was a sizeable financial commitment for everyone, but the primary purpose in our intent was to preserve the fragile nature of the land and coastline as it now exists. We would enjoy, share, and teach our children and grandchildren to respect this special place with minimal, or no impact on the vegetation and fishing.

My husband has been fishing since he was five years old. His father, having taught he and his brother, that not only was it about catching a fish, but also the entire experience; about being there, on the shore, on the water, in the water, with nature, and respect for all the above. It's a spiritual experience. It's my husband's passion and his hobby too. I love watching him fish, especially from his favorite rock at the North Cove of Haven's Neck where the fish are abundant. While I don't participate in the fishing aspect, I love being there as well.

It is our hope, that we would share these experiences with our grandchildren as well; just as the previous owners and those before them have. Now, we fear that will be taken away from us. We earnestly appeal with you not to take away our ability to fish, enjoy, and continue to preserve this extraordinary place.

Sincerely,

John and Linda Endress